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SUBJECT: Chilly PRC Response to Delivery of TIP Demarche

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Classified by: Political Minister Counselor Aubrey Carlson. Reasons  
1.4 (b/d).

(C) PolOff delivered reftel demarche on China's Tier 2 Watch List ranking and specific TIP language to An Gang, Director, USA Division, Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Xu Yu, Deputy Division Director, Department of Treaty and Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and Chen Shiqi, Director, Office of Combating Human Trafficking, Ministry of Public Security. All agreed to respond with any questions after reviewing the report in depth. An Gang noted that China would "probably not have any official response, except perhaps to protest some inaccuracies in the language of the report." China would prefer the United States raise its concerns "some other way than a press conference," he added.  
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